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Mr. R. Scott Greathead
Chairman
Committee on International Human Rights
Room 47-92
Two World Trade Center
New York, New York 10047

Dear Mr. Greathead:

Thank you for sending me a second copy of your letter of September 10, 1982, to Elliott Abrams. Regrettably, your original letter was lost.

We, of course, share your interest in the human rights situation in Argentina. On November 15th I met with representatives of the Abuelas de la Plaza de Mayo and discussed in detail their efforts to locate the thousands of persons who disappeared in Argentina in the mid-1970's. We also discussed how the US Government could be helpful. I was concerned to hear of the threats which have been made against that organization and against the Madres of the Plaza de Mayo.

I am hopeful that these threats will stop and that these two organizations will be able to continue their work free of threats or intimidation.

Sincerely yours,

Melvyn Levitsky
Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Human Rights and
Humanitarian Affairs

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